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Attorney Docket Number	WSP:217 US
First Named Inventor	Lothar Ackermann
<b>COMPLETE IF KNOWN</b>	
Application Number	10/646,207
Filing Date	08/22/2003
Art Unit	
Examiner Name	

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I believe the inventor(s) named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**PROCESS AND DEVICE FOR GROWING SINGLE CRYSTALS***(Title of the Invention)*

the specification of which

 is attached hereto**OR**

was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY) 08/22/2003 as United States Application Number or PCT International

Application Number 10/646,207 and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY)   (if applicable).

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DE 102 38 876.8	Germany	08/24/2002	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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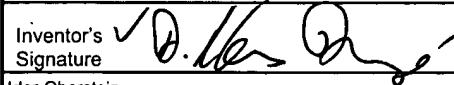
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Supplemental Sheet**

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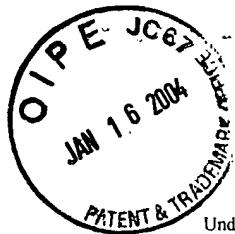
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